



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: In darkness and daylight, on dirt roads and multi-lane highways, from frigid winter mornings to warm spring afternoons, Minnesota school bus drivers safely transport more than 760,000 students to and from school each day; and

WHEREAS: They bookend a student's day at school, and can have a positive influence on a student's educational experience; and

WHEREAS: Students are nearly eight times safer riding on a school bus than in cars because of rigorous safety standards for vehicles and drivers; and

WHEREAS: The industry has worked hard to reduce its environmental impact through the use of alternative fuels and retrofits on diesel engines; and

WHEREAS: It is estimated that the use of school buses saves the United States more than 2.3 billion gallons of fuel per year; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota appreciates school bus drivers and recognizes the invaluable contributions they make to public education and student safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim  
Wednesday, February 28, 2018, as:

## SCHOOL BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION DAY

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set  
my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State  
of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February.

  
GOVERNOR





SECRETARY OF STATE